



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION III
1650 Arch Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-2029

JUL 08 2002

Mr. James Houston
Environmental Compliance Manager
New Castle County Department of Special Services
187-A Old Churchmans Road
New Castle, DE 19720

Re: Pretreatment Program
NPDES No. DE0050547

Dear Mr. Houston:

I am pleased to approve the modifications to the enforcement response plan, as amended June 14, 2002, of the New Castle County (MOT) pretreatment program in accordance with the General Pretreatment Regulations (40 C.F.R. 403). Since revisions to the enforcement response plan are considered non-substantial program modifications, no public notice of this action was necessary.

The Environmental Protection Agency's General Pretreatment Regulations describe the local pretreatment responsibilities based on the Clean Water Act. The pretreatment program that New Castle County implements must be consistent with these regulations and your approved program.

If this Agency can be of any assistance to you in administering this program, please contact John Lovell at 215-814-5790.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lee Murphy".

Lee Murphy
Acting Associate Director
Office of Municipal Assistance

cc: Peder Hansen, DE DNREC

Customer Service Hotline: 1-800-438-2474



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Re: Pretreatment Program
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Dear Mr. Houston:

I have reviewed the County's draft ordinance revisions submitted on April 30, 2002. In addition to the revisions to the local limits, I reviewed the full ordinance in an attempt to ensure that the ordinance does not authorize actions on the part of the County or its users that would be objectionable to EPA. A copy of the review is enclosed. A number of changes are being required. Many of the changes are fairly minor wording changes.

It is my understanding that the County wants to adopt the revised local limits for the MOT treatment plant fairly quickly, and that the ordinance will be revised again later to incorporate the new Wilmington local limits. The County may, if it desires, adopt the revised MOT limits and include the revisions to the rest of the ordinance in the revision for the Wilmington limits. In either case, the County will need to submit the adopted revisions to the ordinance as a pretreatment program modification for approval by EPA. In order to approve the revisions for the MOT treatment plant, I will need a copy of the County's adopted ordinance as well as a copy of the adopted ordinance for Middletown. I would recommend that a revised draft of the changes be submitted prior to adoption. If the changes from this draft are highlighted, the review of the revised draft can be completed more quickly.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 215-814-5790.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Lovell".

John Lovell
Pretreatment Coordinator

Enclosure

cc: Peder Hansen, DE DNREC

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THOMAS P. GORDON
COUNTY EXECUTIVE



JOSEPH J. FREEBERY
GENERAL MANAGER

DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES

June 14, 2002

John Lovell,
Pretreatment Coordinator
USEPA, Region III
841 Chestnut Building
Philadelphia, PA 19107-4431

RE: Final Version of Enforcement Response Plan (ERP)

Dear Mr. Lovell:

Enclosed please find a copy of the final version of the New Castle County Department of Special Services, Pretreatment Program's Enforcement Response Plan (ERP) which has been signed by the Department of Special Services General Manager.

Should you have any questions or require further information on these revisions, please contact David Bowie at 395-5728.

Very truly yours,


James D. Houston
Environmental Compliance Manager

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cc: J. Husband/T. Surles, NCC
David Bowie, NCC, File, Encl.
Sid Sharma, City of Wilmington

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Dear Mr. Houston:

I have completed review of the County's revised enforcement response plan, submitted February 28, 2002. Based on this review, the plan is acceptable. I did note an apparent typographical error in the timetable in the enforcement response section on page 2 of the plan. The County has changed the title of the "Pretreatment Coordinator" position to "Environmental Engineer I." This change needs to be made in the enforcement responses timetable as well.

Upon approval and signature of the enforcement response plan by the General Manager, and submission of a signed copy, EPA will be able to formally approve the revised plan. Since the revision to the enforcement response plan is not considered a substantial program modification under 40 CFR 403.18, no public notice of the intent to approve the modification will be necessary.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 215-814-5790.

Sincerely,


John Lovell
Pretreatment Coordinator

cc: Peder Hansen, DE DNREC